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SUBJECT: COMMONWEALTH SECRETARY GENERAL'S REMARKS
ON SOUTHERN AFRICA

LOCAL PRESS HAS REPORTED FOLLOWING REMARKS (TRANSLATED FROM
FRENCH) BY SHRIDATH RAMPHAL, SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE
COMMONWEALTH, AT A PRESS CONFERENCE IN MAURITIUS
SEPTEMBER 23:

QUOTE: THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE COMMONWEALTH
SPOKE OF THE "ANXIETIES AND HOPES" CONCERNING
THE SITUATION IN SOUTHERN AFRICA AND THE PROXIMITY
OF THE ISLAND OF MAURITIUS TO THIS ZONE OF TENSION.
MR. RAMPHAL ADDED THAT THE EFFORTS BEING UNDERTAKEN
AT THIS MOMENT BY DR. HENRY KISSINGER HAVE RECEIVED
THE COMPLETE SUPPORT OF THE COUNTRIES OF THE COMMON-
WEALTH BECAUSE HIS EFFORTS ARE NOT CONTRARY TO THE
OBJECTIVES OF THE COMMONWEALTH, WHICH WISHES TO SEE
MAJORITY RULE IN ZIMBABWE AND THE TOTAL INDEPENDENCE
OF NAMIBIA. THE SECRETARY GENERAL STATED, HOWEVER,
THAT IF THE NEGOTIATIONS FAILED, THE COMMONWEALTH
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WOULD REDOUBLE ITS AID TO THE LIBERATION MOVEMENTS.

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